

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Wednesday, November 14, 2001

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 1684. A bill to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

Dorgan

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S. 1704. A bill to *amend the Clayton Act* to make the antitrust laws applicable to the elimination or relocation of major league baseball franchises; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Wellstone

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H.R. 3090. Economic Security and Recovery Act:

Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3090, to provide tax incentives for economic recovery, withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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During consideration of this measure, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 337), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, *Senate rejected the motion to waive section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, Congressional Budget Resolution of 2001*, with respect to consideration of section 909 of *Baucus Amendment No. 2125*, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, a point of order that the section was in violation of section 205 of *H. Con. Res. 290*, Congressional Budget Resolution of 2001 was sustained, and section 909 was stricken from the amendment.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 338), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, *Senate rejected the motion to waive section 311(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of Baucus Amendment No. 2125*, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 311(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

Legislative Branch Appropriations Act: S. 1172, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.

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Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act: S. 1398, *making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.*

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Committee Meetings:

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance concluded hearings to examine informal banking systems, focusing on hawala--an informal structure referring a creditor to a third party to receive his/her money, and the potential for abuse of this particular system in terrorist financing, drug trafficking, alien smuggling, and tax evasion.

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Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: *S. 1498, to provide that Federal employees, members of the foreign service, members of the uniformed services, family members and dependents of such employees and members, and other individuals may retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of official Government travel; H.R. 2456, to provide that Federal employees, members of the foreign service, members of the uniformed services, family members and dependents of such employees and members, and other individuals may retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of official Government travel, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; S. 1382, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to redesignate the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia as the Family Court of the Superior Court, to recruit and retain trained and experienced judges to serve in the Family Court, and to promote consistency and efficiency in the assignment of judges to the Family Court and in the consideration of actions and proceedings in the Family Court, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; H.R. 2657, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to redesignate the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia as the Family Court of the Superior Court, to recruit and retain trained and experienced judges to serve in the Family Court, and to promote consistency and efficiency in the assignment of judges to the Family Court and in the consideration of actions and proceedings in the Family Court, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; H.R. 2199, to amend the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 to permit any Federal law enforcement agency to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia to assist the Department in carrying out crime prevention and law enforcement activities in the District of Columbia if deemed appropriate by the Chief of the Department and the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia; S. 1271, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small business concerns, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; H.R. 2336, to make permanent the authority to redact financial disclosure statements of judicial employees and judicial officers; H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance; and the nomination of Odessa F. Vincent, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.*

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Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded joint hearings with the Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia to examine aviation security measure improvements that have been implemented since terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, and improvements that still need to be made.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the availability of security related equipment and the status of the development of future technologies to prevent terrorism, focusing on applied biometrics (the statistical study of biological phenomena), including an integrated automated fingerprint identification system, and facial and iris recognition technology.

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Committee Meeting For Thursday, November 15, 2001:

Committee on Armed Services: @ 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine terrorist organizations and motivations. SR-222.

HOUSE

Bill Introduced:

H.R. 3288. A bill to *amend the Clayton Act* to make the antitrust laws applicable to the elimination or relocation of major league baseball franchises; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Conyers

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H.R. 2500. Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Conference Report:

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2500, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 by a yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 438.

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"... I appreciate the heavy increases for funding in the Department of Justice, as well as the Judiciary. There is an increase of \$357 million above current levels for our court system, the Federal court system throughout the Nation, including the U.S. Supreme Court..." (Rogers, Page H 8156)

Earlier, H. Res. 286, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

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Communication From Chairman Of Committee On Transportation And Infrastructure.

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The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, which was read and, without objection, referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

See Page H 8139: Committee Resolution--Lease--U.S. Bankruptcy Court, San Francisco, CA

See Page H 8140: Committee Resolution--Alteration--Amendment--U.S. Post Office and Courthouse, Pittsburgh, PA; Committee Resolution--Site and Design--United States Courthouse, Austin, TX;

Committee Resolution--Site and Design--United States Courthouse, Jackson, MS; Committee Resolution--Site and Design--United States Courthouse, Fort Pierce, FL

See Page H 8141: Committee Resolution--United States District Court, Green Bay, WI

See Page H 8142: Committee Resolution--Amendment, Alteration--Frank M. Johnson, Jr. Federal Building--United States Courthouse, Montgomery, AL; Committee Resolution--Amendment--United States Courthouse, Orlando, FL; Committee Resolution--Federal Building and United States Courthouse, Charlotte, NC; Committee Resolution--Amendment--United States Courthouse, Salt Lake City, UT.

Executive Communication:

EC.-4580. *A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the annual report of the Office of Justice Programs for Fiscal Year 2000, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 3712(b); to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

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Committee Meeting:

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following bills: **H.R. 3209**, amended, Anti-Hoax Terrorism Act of 2001; and **H.R. 3275**, to implement or the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings to strengthen criminal laws relating to attacks on places of public use, to implement the International Convention of the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, to combat terrorism and defend the Nation against terrorist acts. Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on **H.R. 3275**.

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on **H.R. 2269, *Retirement Security Advice Act of 2001***, providing one hundred minutes of debate in the House with sixty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce and forty minutes equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule provides that, in lieu of the amendments recommended by the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill as amended. The rule provides for consideration of only the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative George Miller of California, or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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Joint Committee Meeting:

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of **H.R. 2506**, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Committee Meetings For Thursday, November 15, 2001:

Committee on Energy and Commerce, @ 10:00 a.m. Hearing on bioterrorism and proposals to combat terrorism. 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, @ 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "*Cyber Security: Private-Sector Efforts Addressing Cyber Threats.*" 2322 Rayburn.

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Committee Meetings For Thursday, November 15, 2001 (Cont'd.):

Committee on Energy and Commerce, @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "*Raising Health Awareness Through Examining Benign Brain Tumor Cancer, Alpha One, and Breast Implant Issues.*" 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on the "*Emergency Preparedness in the Nation's Capital-Economic Impact of Terrorists Attacks.*" 2154

Rayburn.

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Committee on the Judiciary, @ 10:00 a.m. To mark up the following bills: **H.R. 3275**, to implement the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorists Bombings to strengthen criminal laws relating to attacks on places of public use, to implement the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, to combat terrorism and defend the Nation against terrorist acts; **H.R. 3209**, Anti-Hoax Terrorism Act of 2001. 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on **H.R. 3231, *Immigration Reform and Accountability Act of 2001***. 2237 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, hearing on FBI Information Sharing. H-405 Capitol.

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Remarks:

Hate Crimes In America.

Woolsey

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H.R. 1343, The Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act Of 2001.

Jones

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The Fairness In Antitrust In National Sports (Fans) Act. (**H.R. 3288**)

Conyers

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More Than One Route To Safer Skies.

Bereuter

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Next SENATE MEETING: Thursday, 10:00 a.m., November 15, 2001.

Next HOUSE MEETING: Thursday, 10:00 a.m., November 15, 2001.

OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith)